



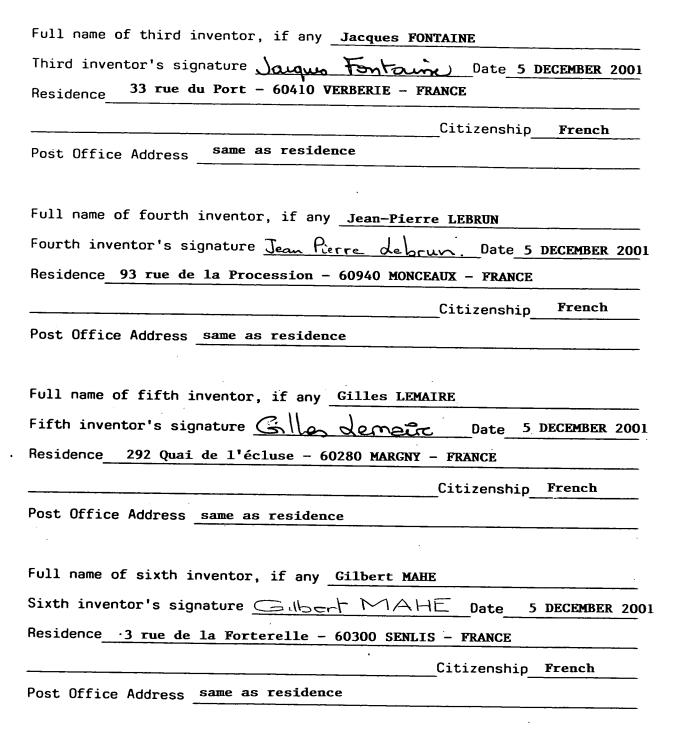
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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are the same as stated below next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: A TAPPING CIRCUIT INCLUDING A TAPPING VALVE FOR REPLENISHING AND/ the specification of which OR FLUSHING THE CASING OF A HYDRAULIC MOTOR (check one) is attached hereto. was filed on as Application Serial No. (if applicable). and was amended on I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a). I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: Priority Claimed Prior Foreign Application: 0017170 FRANCE Yes_v_ No_ 28 DECEMBER 2000 (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) Yes No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Country) (Number) Yes (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. (Status -patented, pending, abandoned) (Filing Date) (Application Serial No.) (Status -patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: SEE OVERLEAF Thomas F. Peterson C/O LADAS & PARRY 224 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE CHICAGO ILLINOIS 60604 Phone: (312) 427 1300 I hereby declare that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. BIGO Louis BIGO Full name of first inventor: 5 DECEMBER 2001 Date: Inventor's signature: St Germain - 60200 COMPIEGNE -FRANCECitizenship: French 33 bis rue Residence: same as residence Post Office Address: . Full name of second joint inventor: ean claude 5 DECEMBER 2001 Case Jean-Claude CASE Inventor's signature: rue Vignes Blanches - Le Berval French Citizenship: 60123 BONNEUIL EN VALOIS - FRANCE Post Office Address:

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APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE ATTORNEYS

Dear Sir:

The undersigned Attorney for Applicant in the above identified application for Letters Patent, hereby appoints individually and collectively as my Associate Attorneys, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith:

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